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Teen Center opens its doors

The Teen Center in the Library is now open! After a successful fundraising effort by the Foundation; and planning, design, and construction efforts spearheaded by the Library staff and the Teen Advisory Council, our teens now have a space designed just for them.

The space includes booths for studying or working on projects, a TV and lounge area for movies or video game tournaments, a counter with sink for art projects, charging stations, a portable technology cart,

a white board for brainstorming, floor-to-ceiling cupboards for storage, and comfy furniture, along with many technology items such as iPads, laptops, and software programs.

A Grand Opening celebration was held on December 9. Donors, community members, and teens toured the space and enjoyed refreshments. A short ceremony was held to thank donors and those who worked on the project, and the teens were invited to cut the ribbon, officially opening the space.

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Ross Dress for Less supports Library Foundation

Thank you to Ross Dress for Less. At their grand opening they showed their support for the Bismarck community by donating \$2,500 to the Bismarck Library Foundation for the Library's use. What an amazing way to become a member of the community!



Bismarck Library Foundation Executive Director Cameo Skager (center) receives a check from the Ross Dress for Less store manager (right), accompanied by Bismarck Mayor Mike Seminary (left).

Welcome, Nikki!

Welcome to our newest Foundation board member Nikki Ferderer. Nikki grew up in Center and received her college degree from Valley City State University. She works for MDU Resources as the assistant to the President and CEO. Nikki and her husband, Wyatt, live in Bismarck. In her spare time, she loves reading, enjoying the outdoors, and spending time with family and friends.

Congratulations to Dick Weber!

Foundation President Dick Weber was awarded the Lifetime Caring Award from MSA United Way for 2016. He was given the award for his work in the arts, education, health care, human services, nonprofits, the Bismarck School District, the Bismarck Library Foundation, and the Peace Corps. What an honor. Congratulations!

Thank you!

Thank you to Scheels Sporting Goods

Scheels supported the Bismarck Library Foundation by awarding a \$1,000 check. The award will be used to support programming in the Library.



Bismarck Library Foundation Executive Director Cameo Skager (center) and Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library Director Christine Kujawa (center right) receive a check from Scheel's personnel.

Thank you to Kroll's Diner Bismarck Marathon

Kroll's Diner Bismarck Marathon selected the Bismarck Library Foundation as one of its grant recipients for the 2016 event. They awarded us with a \$2,500 check to be used for the Children's Summer Reading Program.



Foundation Executive Director Cameo Skager (center) accepts a check from Kroll's Bismarck Marathon officials.



View information about the Teen Center on YouTube.

Teen Center: 6 Months in 4 Minutes (a recap of the construction process)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=ey08NNRswUU

Teen Advisory Group Video

(a thank you to our donors)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijXCuYD1ZVQ



Plans for the Teen Center (which has been dubbed Teen Headquarters) include holding ongoing programming and events. Examples of events scheduled for the winter and spring are video game tournaments, TableTop gaming, Otaku Club, Lego Robotics Club, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) programming, and movie days.

Thank you to all who helped make the Teen Center possible. This will be a space where our area teens can learn and grow for many decades to come.



The **ART** *of* **BOOKS**

- ✦ Book-inspired art
- ✦ Food
- ✦ Beer/Wine
- ✦ Desserts
- ✦ Trivia
- ✦ Fun, fun, fun!

April 28, 2017

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Taking a trip to the past at the Library

Other historical programs that can be used from the Library's website include:

- Chronicling America
- Newspaper Archive
- World Vital Records

These tools can be used within the Library, or from your computer at home by logging on to the Library's website.

Have you ever thought about your ancestors? Have you ever wondered who they might be, or where they were from? If you have a curiosity, and some time to spare, the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library can help you get started on an ancestor search.

Ancestry Library Edition, funded by the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library, is free for public use but must be used within the Library. A commercial counterpart, Ancestry.com (often advertised on television), has a fee associated with it. Much of the same information can be found through the free Library version of the program. Information found via the Library Edition can be sent to your email, printed in the Library, or saved to a flash drive for use at home.



Items that can be searched with Ancestry include census records that are released 75 years after the census is completed; vital records, such as birth and death certificates, and marriage licenses; military records; and immigration records.

Other items available within Ancestry are charts and forms for you to record your discoveries; templates of census forms (so you can see what column headings were titled if the copy is unreadable); and message boards (so you can talk to other people who are searching their ancestry). The Ancestry program accesses information from more than 10,000 collections. To use the Ancestry Library Edition program, visit the Library's website at www.bismarcklibrary.org. Click on Research in the top toolbar, then Databases, Genealogy, and Ancestry Library Edition.

A tutorial about Ancestry Library Edition also can be accessed through the Library's website. Click



Research, Database Tutorials, and then select Ancestry Library Edition under ProQuest. This will take you to a ProQuest tutorial. The Learning Center within Ancestry also offers tutorials about how to use the search features of the program.

If you prefer a face-to-face, personal tutorial, Kate Waldera, the Library's Head of Information Services, holds a training class about Ancestry six times per year. The next class will be March 7 at 2:30 p.m.

Kate loves to search for historic records and is quite knowledgeable about the specifics of the Ancestry program. Her suggestions include, "Leave no stone unturned" in the search for information, and "Less is more" when entering search criteria. She says, "One clue leads to the next and you will just want to keep going."

If you have any questions about any of the genealogy or historical programs available, talk to Kate or other Library staff. They can help you discover the world of the past right here at the Library.



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Library Foundation changes name and logo

The Library Foundation, Inc. has officially become the Bismarck Library Foundation, Inc. A new logo was also developed to coincide with the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library's new logo. The Library also has an updated website design.



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View the new website at www.bismarcklibrary.org. The Foundation's website can be accessed by clicking Support the Library and then Library Foundation.

Support your Community by Supporting the Library!

The Bismarck Library Foundation, Inc., offers several different ways to support the Library. All memberships are tax deductible. Use the membership envelope inserted in this newsletter and start your legacy of Library support. To view our membership perks, visit bismarcklibrary.org, click on Support the Library, then Library Foundation. Help the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library remain an amazing place to read, study, learn, and grow!

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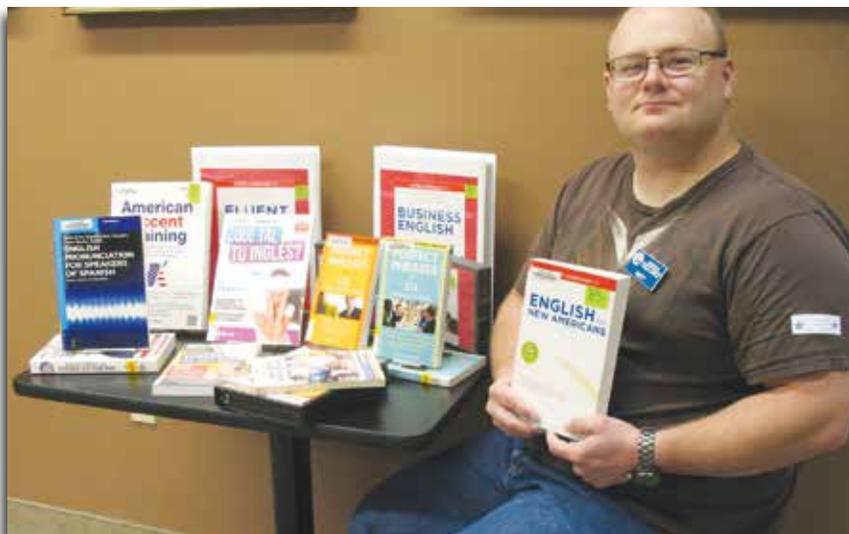
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Foundation provides funding for English as a Second Language (ESL) materials



Matt Hovland, Head of Circulation, prepares to incorporate the new English language learning materials into the Library collection.

The Bismarck Library Foundation provided funding to the Library for the purchase of several English language training materials. Because our community is becoming ever more diverse, it is important for a library to make items available to all members of the community. Some of the items are in Spanish, while others are designed to help Spanish speakers learn English. The Library also has language learning materials for native speakers of other languages.